

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph starting at page 4, line 6 and ending at page 4, line 21. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto is attached.

--According to another aspect of the present invention, there is provided an image forming apparatus comprising an image bearing member; developing means for developing a latent image formed on said image bearing member; and developer supply container detachably mountable to a main assembly of said image forming apparatus, said container including; a developer accommodating portion; a developer discharging portion; and a cover in said developer discharging portion, said cover being movable between a first position in which said cover covers said developer discharging portion and a second position in which said developer discharging position is exposed, wherein said second position is closer to said developer accommodating portion than said first position.--

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph starting at page 10, line 1 and ending at page 10, line 4. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto is attached.

A² --Next, the structures of the various components of the above described image forming apparatus will be described in detail in the obvious order.--

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph starting at page 19, line 21 and ending at page 20, line 17. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto is attached.

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--With the provision of the transfer residual toner dispersing means 3g, the transfer residual toner particles, which have been dispersed in a certain pattern and are carried from the transfer station d to the toner charge controlling means 3h, are evenly dispersed across the peripheral surface of the photoconductive drum 2 even if the amount of the transfer residual toner particles is large. In other words, the transfer residual toner particles, which have been distributed in a certain pattern on the peripheral surface of the photoconductive drum 2, are 5 evenly dispersed across the peripheral surface of the photoconductive drum 2, being therefore prevented from being concentrated to certain portions of the toner charge controlling means 3h, assuring that all the transfer residual toner particles are unified in polarity, being charged to the normal polarity. Therefore, the efficiency with which the transfer residual toner particles are prevented from adhering to the charge roller 3a is improved. Consequently, the formation of a ghost image, that is, the ghostly 15 pattern in a completed image, for which the transfer residual toner particles are responsible, is prevented.--

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph starting at page 23, line 17 and ending at page 24, line 11. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto is attached.

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--The developing apparatus 4 in this embodiment is a contact type developing apparatus which uses a two component developer (two component magnetic brush type 20 developing apparatus). Referring to Figure 2, it comprises a development sleeve 4a as a developer bearing member, a magnetic roller 4b disposed in the hollow of the development sleeve 4a, and developer, that is, a mixture of carrier and toner, which is 25 borne on the peripheral surface of the development sleeve 4a. This development sleeve 4a constitutes the developing means. The developing apparatus 4 is also provided with a regulating blade 4c, which is disposed a predetermined gap away from the peripheral surface of the development sleeve 4a so that as the development sleeve 4a is rotated in the direction of an arrow mark, a thin layer of the developer is formed on the peripheral surface of the development sleeve 4a. Incidentally, even though a two component magnetic brush type developing apparatus is employed as the developing apparatus 4 in this embodiment, the developing apparatus choice is not limited to this type of developing apparatus.--

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph starting at page 25, line 17 and ending at page 25, line 27. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto is attached.

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--Referring to Figure 2, a developer holding portion 4h, in which the developer is circulated, is divided by a partitioning wall 4d into a two chambers. The partitioning wall 4d extends in the lengthwise direction of the process cartridge 1 from one end of the developer holding portion 4h to the other for the immediate adjacencies of the end walls of the developer holding portion 4h. The developer holding portion 4h is

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provided with a pair of stirring screws 4eA and 4eB, which are disposed in a manner to sandwich the partitioning wall 4d.--

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph starting at page 32, line 6 and ending at page 32, line 14. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto is attached.

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--Within the loop of intermediary transfer belt 54a, transfer charge rollers 54fY, 54fM, 54fC, and 54fK are rotationally disposed, each being kept inward surface of the intermediary transfer belt 54a, at a position corresponding to the photoconductive drum 2 on the outward side of the transfer belt 54a, in the radius direction of the photoconductive drum 2 of the corresponding process cartridge.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 5 and 11 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claims 1, 4, 6, and 8 through 10 and add Claim 12 to read, as follows. A marked-up copy of claims 1, 4, 6 and 8 through 10, showing the amendments made thereto, is attached. Note that all the claims currently pending in the application, including those not presently being amended, have been reproduced below for the Examiner's convenience.